Recommendation for Council Action

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting: June 14, 2018 Item Number: 009

Capital Contracting Office

Authorize an amendment to the construction contract with Muniz Concrete & Contracting, Inc. (MBE), for the Vision Zero Major Intersection Safety Construction - Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity project in the amount of \$750,000 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$3,808,000. [Note: This contract was awarded in compliance with City Code 2-9A (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). Current participation to date is 79.77% MBE and 0.40% WBE.]

District(s) Affected: District 2, District 3, District 5, District 9

Capital Contracting Office
Managing Department(s) Austin Transportation Department
Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Capital Budget of the Austin Transportation Department.
Original contract was awarded through a competitive Invitation for Bid solicitation process.
June 15, 2017 - Council approved a contract with Muniz Concrete & Contracting, Inc. for the Vision Zero Major Intersection Safety Construction - Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity project.
Inquiries should be directed to the City Manager's Agenda Office, at 512-974-2991 or AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov. NOTE: Respondents to this solicitation, and their representatives,

shall direct inquiries to Rolando Fernandez, 512-974-7749 or Aiden Cohen, 512-974-1929.

Additional Backup Information:

The Slaughter Lane/Manchaca Road Intersection Safety Improvement project is a partnership between the City of Austin and the Texas Department of Transportation. The intersection has been identified as a high-crash location by the Transportation Department ('Transportation Department') and received funding through a one-time Council appropriation of safety funds in fall 2015, towards safety improvements at five high-crash intersections in Austin. Safety improvements to four of the five high-crash intersections were completed summer 2017.

This project was designed to be completed in three major phases to keep the existing intersection open for the traveling public at all times during construction. In the Phase I, Texas Department of Transportation completed construction of the medians on Manchaca Road in October 2017. In Phase II, the Transportation Department utilized the 'Traffic Signal & PHB Installation IDIQ 2016 - Rebid'contract to completely re-construct the traffic signal at Slaughter Lane/Manchaca Road, which was needed to accommodate the final configuration of dual left-turn lanes on all four approaches. The new signal became operational in March 2018 and currently Texas Department of Transportation crews have resumed work to complete the remainder of the work for Phase II. During this time the pedestrian ramps at all four corners will be re-built, along with the addition of high-visibility crosswalks, re-configured pedestrian island at the northeast corner and, associated paving, signing and striping. Once Texas Department of Transportation's work is complete by early June, the dual left turns on Manchaca Road will be open to drivers to improve mobility. As part of Phase III, the Transportation Department will utilize the existing Vision Zero Major Intersection Safety Construction Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity to construct medians and a shared-use bicycle and a pedestrian path along Slaughter Lane to provide greater safety to pedestrians and bicyclists and eliminate crash-prone left turns at the driveways.

The purpose of this recommendation for council action is to request \$750,000 in additional authorization. The current contract has a not-to-exceed capacity of \$3,000,000. An increase in contract authorization will ensure that all current IDIQ projects as well as the Slaughter Lane/Manchaca Road Intersection Safety Improvement project can be successfully completed. The overall cost of improvements is in line with the original estimates prior to beginning construction. This additional authorization will allow for completion of the project with an existing contract, with no change to project cost or scope.

A delay in approval of this amendment could impact improved driver safety at this high-crash

intersection.

This amendment has been approved by the City's Change Control Committee. The Change Control Committee was established to comply with Council Resolution No. 20120126-048, which required the establishment of consistent criteria and process to evaluate contractual changes for all contracts administered by the Capital Contracting Office. The Change Control Committee is comprised of management-level subject matter experts.

Muniz Concrete & Contracting, Inc. is located in Austin, Texas.